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SUBJECT : TRAVEL DOCUMENTS FOR VIETNAMESE NATIONALS

REFERENCE : STATE 139673

1. REQUEST GUIDANCE CONCERNING TRAVEL DOCUMENTS HELD BY SOUTH VIETNAMESE CITIZENS PRESENTLY IN BAHRAIN. IN ALL CASES THESE PERSONS ARE MARRIED TO, OR ARE CHILDREN OF, AMERICAN CITIZENS, AND ALL CARRY G.V.N. TRAVEL DOCUMENTS. GUIDANCE FURNISHED REF DOES NOT APPEAR COVER FOLLOWING SITUATION, WHICH IS CURRENTLY A MAJOR CONSULAR PROBLEM, AND WE SOLICIT YOUR ASSISTANCE: THESE VIETNAMESE DEPENDENTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS HOLD G.V.N. PASSPORTS WHICH DUE EXPIRE IN NEAR FUTURE (OR, IN SOME CASES, HAVE ALREADY EXPIRED). PRESUMPTION IS THESE PASSPORTS NOT RENEWABLE, AND BEARERS DO NOT INTEND APPLY FOR NEW VIETNAMESE DOCUMENTATION IN ANY EVENT. WE HAVE HAD MANY QUERIES ON WHAT TRAVEL DOCUMENTS EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE TO REPLACE EXPIRED OR SOON TO EXPIRE G.V.N. PASSPORTS. WE HAVE ADVISED CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS THEY MAY APPLY FOR IV, ENTER U.S. AND OBTAIN SOME FORM OF TRAVEL DOCUMENTS. IN SEVERAL INSTANCES INDIVIDUALS DO NOT WISH DO THIS, SAYING TRAVEL TO U.S. (ON IV) SOLELY TO OBTAIN U.S. DOCUMENTATION (EITHER U.S. PASSPORT OR I-571) IS PROHIBITIVELY EXPENSIVE. AS RELATED PROBLEM, BAHRAIN RESIDENCE/WORK PERMITS ARE IN G.V.N. PASSPORTS WHICH DUE TO EXPIRE, AND RESIDENCE PERMITS WILL EXPIRE WITH PASSPORT. THESE PERSONS WISH OBTAIN TRAVEL DOCUMENTS ENABLING THEM TO CONTINUE RESIDE IN BAHRAIN AND TRAVEL WORLD-WIDE WITHOUT NEED

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ENTER U.S. AT THIS TIME FOR EXPRESS PURPOSE OF OBTAINING SUCH

DOCUMENTATION. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY PROVISION FOR EMBASSY  
ISSUANCE OF REFUGEE TRAVEL DOCUMENT OR U.S. PASSPORT TO  
VIETNAMESE NATIONALS WHO OTHERWISE QUALIFY FOR ISSUANCE OF  
IV, AND WISH DETERMINE IF, UNDER PRESENT CURCUMSTANCES,  
PROVISIONS ARE BEING MADE FOR ISSUANCE OF SOME FORM OF TRAVEL  
DOCUMENT AT POSTS ABROAD TO VIETNAMESE NATIONALS IN CATEGORY  
DESCRIBED ABOVE.

2. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.  
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